GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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FUNDING UNDER AIBP
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been demand by some of the States in the country to change the present pattern of funding under Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) to make it more favourable for the States as to meet their financial crunch;

(b) if so, the details of changes made therein;

(c) the names of the States that have taken advantage of the present scheme and brought more areas under irrigation;

(d) whether the Kalahandi Bolangir Koraput (KBK) areas in the State of Orissa have received funds under the scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) There have been demand for change of funding pattern for the Projects included in Prime Minister`s Package for agrarian distress districts from 25% to 90% of Project cost.

(b) No Sir, no changes have been made.

(c) 28 States have availed Central Assistance so far under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) to bring more area under irrigation. The names are given in Annexure 1.

(d) Yes Sir.

(e) Total Central Loan Assistance(CLA)/Grant amounting to Rs.1094.9117 crore has been released so far to projects benefiting Kalahandi-Bolangir-Koraput area in the State of Orissa.